

State Water Resources Control Board

**FUNDING DETERMINATION**  
**Drinking Water for Schools (DWFS) Grant Program**  
**Allensworth Elementary School District (District) Project (Project)**

Division of Financial Assistance (DFA) staff completed the technical review of the District's DWFS application (Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool Pin No. 42052), and recommends approving \$49,884 in grant funding for the Project.

**PROJECT SUMMARY**

The Project, as described in the table below, is for one school: Allensworth Elementary School. The school is located in the town of Earlimart in Tulare County.

School/Cost/Need	Tasks	Project Duration
Allensworth Elementary School/\$49,884/83 students/Impaired Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install 1 new pedestal fountain in an area used for exercise/sporting events and replace 2 existing pedestal fountains that are currently not working.</li> <li>Replace 2 fountains with refrigerated high/low water fountains and filling stations. These fountains are not Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant and are not currently working.</li> <li>Install electricity and modify plumbing necessary for new fountain/filling station installations.</li> </ul>	Approximately 6 months (per District, exempt from Division of State Architect)

**ELIGIBILITY**

As summarized in the table below, the Project is consistent with the DWFS Grant Program Guidelines (Guidelines), adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board on May 16, 2017 ([Resolution No. 2017-0032](#)).

Eligible Recipient	YES	Local Educational Agency serving grades K-12 and preschool/day care located on public school property
Disadvantaged Community (DAC)	YES	Median Household Income (MHI) = \$29,464 (for the community), which is less than \$49,454 (80% of the 2015 Statewide MHI)
Small Community	YES	Population = 575 (for District), which is less than 20,000

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Impaired Drinking Water Quality	NO	N/A. Impaired access only
Impaired Access	YES	Each of the fountains/pedestals to be replaced are broken, nonworking units. One pedestal is a new installation which will be installed where sports events are held for students.
Eligible Project Scope	YES	As described in the application and summarized in the table above, the proposed scope is consistent with the Guidelines
Eligible Funding Amount	YES	\$49,884 is above \$25,000 minimum, and meets \$100,000 maximum per individual school and \$1,000,000 maximum per entity
Other Funding Source	NO	The Project would be fully funded by the DWFS Program
Technical Assistance (TA) Provided	YES	This District received TA from Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) subcontractor, Self-Help Enterprises (SHE)

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The remaining balance for grants to DWFS projects is \$9,419,190. If the Project is approved, the balance will be reduced to \$9,369,306.

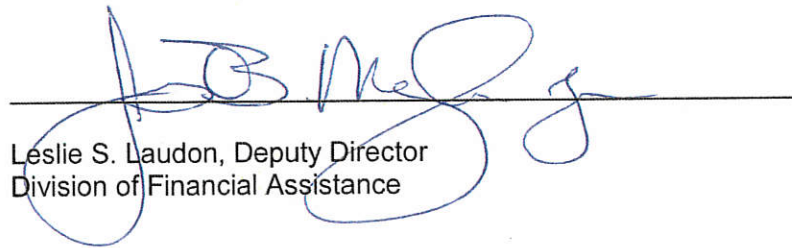
#### **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DETERMINATION**

Staff has made a determination that the Project is exempt from CEQA for the following reasons:

- Pursuant to the California Code of Regulations Title 14, Div. 6, Ch.3, Article 19, Section 15301 Class 1-Operation, repair, maintenance and/or minor alteration of an existing structure
- Pursuant to the California Code of Regulations Title 14, Div. 6, Ch. 3, Article 19, Section 15303 Class 3-Construction or remodification of a limited number of new or existing small structures

#### **FUNDING DETERMINATION**

By signing below, the Deputy Director of DFA approves a preliminary award of \$49,884 in DWFS grant funds for the Project and concurs with the above CEQA determination. DFA staff is directed to prepare a grant agreement with the District for execution.



Leslie S. Laudon, Deputy Director  
Division of Financial Assistance